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If we limit our tourism industry to only hotels in Waikiki, and on the outer islands, the tourism industry will most certainly start to decrease, and this trend will continue to deplete us of visitors the more and more that vacation rentals continue to become the preferred way to travel.

Many travel to "get away from it all", and we need to realize that Waikiki is not what people are in demand of. If we do not support what tourists want, we will start losing our industry to other travel destinations where a variety of lodging choices are available.

I oppose any short-term rental owner who does not respect their neighbors. Reasonable rules and Non-conforming use certificates would help curb complaints and help us coexist. If a rental owner does not comply, we should all agree the owner should not have a NUC. This is why permitting is so important.

Sincerely,

Lucille Botelho

Christine Bond
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Jessica Lee
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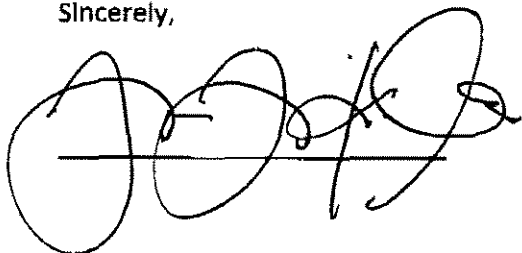
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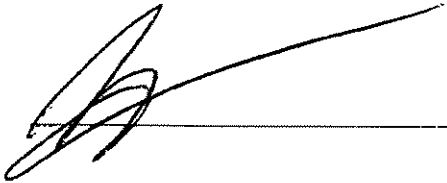
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